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DEFULTERS PARADE.  
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#### PARADES.

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Defaulter's drill at Headquarters under  
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Artillery Battery gun drill at Gun  
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On duty to-night 1st June: No. 2  
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Wednesday, June 6th.-No. 13 Section.  
Thursday, June 7th.-No. 14 Section.  
Friday, June 8th.-No. 8 Section.

#### PARADES, ETC.

Central Station, 2.30 p.m.  
Sections 13 and 14 and recruits of  
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JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON, General Managers, Hongkong, May 31, 1916. 705

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Hongkong, May 31, 1916. 702

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1.10 p.m. to 1.45 p.m. Every 10 minutes.

1.45 p.m. to 2.15 p.m. Every 10 minutes.

2.15 p.m. to 5.00 p.m. Every 10 minutes.

5.00 p.m. to 8.10 p.m. Every 10 minutes.

## WEEK END.

8.50 p.m. and 9 p.m., 9.30 p.m. to 11.00 p.m. every half hour.

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## BRITISH PRISONERS STARVED.

A sensation has been caused in South Africa by the recent publication in a Natal paper of what purported to be the Report of the Official Commission of Inquiry into atrocities against British prisoners in German South-West Africa. Some of the revelations are of the most shocking character, even German witnesses admitting that our prisoners were persistently starved. Instances are quoted of prisoners fainting from hunger, and standing in queues awaiting an opportunity to drink the blood of slaughtered oxen. They also boiled the soft parts of hides in order to extract nutriment.

Men were forced to go half-naked among the women Kaffirs, because the Germans would not clothe them.

Specific instances are given of gross outrage on British officers. The Governor of South-West Africa, Dr. Seitz, ordered them to be placed in irons during their transit from place to place. Captain Steyer, who was taken prisoner at Sandfontein, was placed in solitary confinement for six and a half months in a cell built by him, infested with bugs, and in a shocking insanitary condition. He was threatened with being put into a dark cell if he looked out of the window.

British civilians, with women and children, were confined in common goals, sleeping 10 in one cell, with locked doors, and in a foul atmosphere. Their food was scanty. The sick and wounded were grossly neglected in the field until the German wounded had been attended to. The Commission finds that these acts constitute a breach of the rules of war as laid down by The Hague Convention. The authors of these outrages are mentioned by name, and the paper says that they are all at liberty in South-West Africa to-day.

## QUESTIONS IN PARLIAMENT.

The matter was at once raised by Sir Thomas Smartt in the House of Assembly. He asked that the Commission's report, if made, should be placed on the table. It was of such a serious character, he said, that it was bound to create a great deal of feeling throughout the country.

General Botha deprecated undue haste, seeing that happily the prisoners had been released and were no longer suffering. The Commission's Report had just been handed in and he had not yet read it. The question of its premature publication would be investigated. In the meantime he promised to make further inquiries.

The report is now published officially. Confirming in the main the version given by the newspaper, it especially emphasizes the insufficiency of the food, and states that there was a complete lack of organization or central control.

Replying to complaints as to rations, the Governor, Dr. Seitz, told the officers they should be most thankful for what they got.

"We did not invite you to this country. You invaded the country and fought us with natives," he remarked.

After the escape of a couple of officers, rations were cut down. Colonel Franke, a Staff officer, told the Commission that this was not a punishment, but a disciplinary measure. It appears the officers were moved to keep them out of the way of the British advance and were required to live their parole not to escape, otherwise they were threatened with being put in chains. Subsequently the German commandant apologized and the journey was completed in daylight.

The rations of the non-commissioned officers and men were reduced almost to starvation point, and were only half those issued to the German troops. The report mentions the blood of slaughtered oxen and men standing in queues waiting to

drink, and the boiling of the soft parts of hides to extract nutriment.

## A SPECTACLE FOR THE NATIVES.

The insufficient clothing supplied to the prisoners is also alluded to in the report, which describes the men going by railway to Otavifontein, clad in helmets, a tunic, a short loin cloth, and sandals, "a spectacle for the women natives who saw them on the road."

The report, too, confirms the reference to Captain Geary, and adds that the food was coarse and insufficient. He was treated harshly and callously, and was only allowed short periods of exercise with convicted criminals. No charge was laid against him and his protests were unheeded.

The report quotes the case of Captain Munro, who was treated similarly to Captain Geary, but his detention was only for 21 days.

Referring to the treatment of political prisoners confined in Windhoek goal, the report points out that they were mostly British. The goal was crowded at the time, and they were obliged to sleep 10 in a small cell. The door was locked nightly, and was not opened in any circumstances for 12 hours. There was considerable dysentery amongst the prisoners, and the conditions were most disgusting.

The report does not deal with the treatment of natives owing to the wide divergence of opinion among Germans and South Africans regarding what constitutes cruelty to natives.

Sir Thomas Smartt has now asked General Botha for information as to what steps are being taken to bring the guilty German officers to trial.

General Botha, after announcing that he had been in communication with the Imperial Government on the matter, stated that the Government assumed the attitude that it would not take revenge, although it naturally condemned in the strongest possible manner the actions disclosed in the report. He added that he had already protested to the German authorities when he himself was in South-West Africa on the strength of statements by escaped prisoners.

## THE RUBBER FAMINE IN GERMANY.

A Russian journalist who has recently visited Berlin, writing his experiences in the *Daily Chronicle*, says he had occasion to buy a pair of goloshes. They were American and he was called upon to pay 10 marks for them. He says: "I was surprised at the high price asked, and to my query the lady shop assistant informed me that Germany is now suffering an acute rubber famine, that the import of rubber articles was stopped (British blockade), and that the stocks of raw rubber had long ago been requisitioned. We are selling the last pairs of goloshes, and shall not be able to get any more. Why, we cannot even get rubber suspenders in the whole of Berlin. You read that!"

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## GERMAN PLOTTERS' SECRETS REVEALED.

The Press Bureau has given for publication a statement made to the British authorities by Horst von der Goltz, alias Bridgeman W. Taylor, said to be a baron and related to Field Marshal von der Goltz, in command of the Turkish army.

Von der Goltz, travelling on a bogus American passport, was arrested in London and was for some time a prisoner in the Tower. He was sent to the United States in charge of Scotland Yard detectives, arriving in New York on March 23, to give evidence in the American prosecution of German plotters.

Following revelations made by Von der Goltz to officials of the Department of Justice, several arrests were made of conspirators in the first plot to blow up the Welland Canal, in Canada.

RAID HUN SECRET FOR SALE  
Von der Goltz arrived in England from Holland on November 4, 1914, offering information on projected air raids, sources where the Hindenburg information concerning British shipping and the Leipzig was obtained. He offered to go back to Germany to obtain this information asking only for travelling expenses. On November 20 he was sentenced to six months imprisonment with a recommendation for deportation.

On January 2 last, among papers taken from Captain von Papen, recalled Military Attaché to the German Embassy in America, was a cheque dated September 1, 1914, for \$200, payable to Bridgeman Taylor. On January 21 the cheque was shown to Von der Goltz, and he offered to make a statement. He said he was in the Mexican army and on August 2, 1914, obtained leave, going to New York and met Von Papen. He told of obtaining facilities for an American passport through the German Consulate at Baltimore, Md.

SCHEME TO RAID ON GREAT LAKES.  
"I had some conversation," he stated, "with Captain von Papen about recent events in Mexico, and afterwards was asked to give my opinion about a proposal made to the German Embassy, the writer of which, a certain Schumacher, asked for financial support in order to carry out a scheme by which he would be able to make raids on towns situated on the coast of the Great Lakes."

He proposed to use motor-boats armed with machine-guns. The proposal being rejected on account of the Embassy receiving unfavorable information about the writer, I was at first requested to give my assistance to a scheme of invasion intended to be put in execution by entering Canada with armed forces recruited from the revolutionaries in the United States of America, and aided by German warships at that time in the Pacific.

"The scheme, which was proposed by Captain von Papen and myself, was abandoned, objections having been made by Count Bernstorff. I was told so by Captain von Papen."

Then Captain von Papen asked me to see at my hotel in New York, the Holland House, two Irishmen, prominent members of Irish associations who had fought during the Irish rebellion, and who had proposed to Captain von Papen to blow up the locks of the canals connecting the Great Lakes, the main railway junctions, and grain elevators.

It was alleged that by these means as well as by wholesale distribution of propaganda, combined with rumours of invasion circulated in the press, a panic would be created in Canada, which would prevent the Dominion from giving any aid to England.

I received the gentlemen at my hotel, the next morning, with a letter of introduction written by Captain von Papen, and received, after having taken them to my room, further details about the matter, in addition to maps and diagrams showing the most vulnerable points of the different canals.

USED INTERRED GERMAN CREW.  
Von der Goltz stated it was proposed to use an officer and men of the crew of a German steamship at Hookton, N.J., in the Canadian expedition. Captain von Papen, he stated, told him that Captain Hans Tauscher, husband of Mme. Johanna Gaski, the opera singer, and of Krupp's Agency, would supply arms and explosives for the expedition. The party went to Niagara Falls on September 15, 1914. There was some delay in receiving instructions and funds from von Papen, and on September 22 von der Goltz received information that the first Canadian contingent had left Volantier Camp; so, "knowing I would be recalled, the object of my enterprise being removed, I returned to New York."

Arrangements were then made for von der Goltz to return to Germany, via Genoa, and he was given a letter to the German Consul there.

SECRET SERVICE KEYS OF PLOT.  
"Information, the accuracy of which I have no reason to doubt," Von der Goltz, "has made me believe the United States Secret Service knew about the matter from beginning to end. I know I was watched in New York, Baltimore, and Buffalo, and telling Captain von Papen of this, he replied that the men had orders only to watch, but to interfere on no account."

"Before I left New York I had some conversation with Captain von Papen about the war, and while speaking of the end of the war Captain von Papen said 'Should things start to look bad for us there will be something happening over here.' In connection with other statements, he speculated on America joining Germany or on a possible uprising in the United States."

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## INTERESTING INSURANCE CASE.

SEQUEL TO AN EXTRAORDINARY DRAFT AT COLOMBO.

Mr. W. Wadsworth, Acting Additional District Judge of Colombo, delivered judgment in the case in which Mr. Adamjee Lukmanjee sued the Yangtze Insurance Association, Ltd., through their local Agents, Messrs. Aitken, Spence and Co. The plaintiff alleged that about the 13th of November, 1914, the Bombay-Burma Trading Corporation, Ltd., acting on behalf of the plaintiff, shipped on board the s.s. "Hild" at Bangkok 144 pieces of teak squares, consigned to the plaintiff and to be delivered to him at Colombo. The Bombay-Burma Corporation in their own name as for and in the names of all persons to whom the same did might or should appertain in part or in all caused a Policy of Insurance dated 14th November, 1914, to be made, and thereby caused themselves and all other such persons to be insured at and from the port of Bangkok to Colombo upon the 144 pieces of teak squares until the same was discharged or safely landed at Colombo including all risk of draft from land to land, and that the defendant accordingly became its insurer to the plaintiff of Rs. 17,682.79 upon the goods. The goods were discharged from the s.s. "Hild" on the 3th December, 1915, and were rafted and moored in the Colombo harbour for the purpose of being landed, in consequence of an extraordinary gale the moorings and rafts were broken and 133 out of the 144 logs were driven into the open sea and lost to the plaintiff's damage of Rs. 16,431.87; which amount the plaintiff claimed from the defendant.

The defendant admitted that the 144 pieces of teak squares were shipped on the s.s. "Hild" consigned to the plaintiff and to be delivered to the plaintiff at Colombo, but denied that the Bombay-Burma Trading Corporation acted for and on behalf of the plaintiff. The defendant averred that the plaintiff had no interest in the Policy of Insurance and cannot maintain any action against the defendant in respect of the Policy. The defendant also stated that the plaintiff took delivery of the timber from the s.s. "Hild" and that the defendant was not responsible for any loss after such delivery, that the loss did not occur during the period covered by the Policy, that the loss was due to the negligence of the plaintiff or his agents in not landing the timber within reasonable time.

"At the trial," says the judge in the course of his judgment, it was admitted by defendant's counsel that the timber was not stored by the plaintiff for his own purposes in the Colombo harbour (as was alleged in the answer) but was waiting there until landing facilities were afforded by Government. Evidence was led to prove that timber when discharged from a ship was made into rafts and left in the Colombo harbour till cranes which belonged to the Government were available for landing it. The Judge held that the Bombay Company in shipping the timber at Bangkok did so for and on behalf of the plaintiff.

"The main issue to be decided is the second one," continues the Judge. "The second issue reads as follows:—'Can the plaintiff maintain any action against the defendant upon the Policy of Insurance mentioned in paragraph 3 of the plaint?'"

"The Policy of Insurance p. 6, is in the form commonly known as Lloyd's Policy with some special clauses added. The following are the material parts of the Policy relevant to the present question:—

(a) 'The Bombay-Burma Trading Corporation as well in his or their name as for and in the name and names of all and every other person or persons to whom the same doth, may or shall appertain in part or in all, do make insurance and hereby cause himself or themselves and them and every of them to be insured,' (b) 'at and from the port of Bangkok to Colombo,' (c) beginning the adventure upon the said goods from the loading thereof on board the ship, and so to continue and endure until the said goods shall have arrived at above and until the same be there discharged and safely landed, including risk of draft, to and from the ship. These parts are found ordinarily in a Lloyd's policy. The special agreement added to this policy states, (d) 'Including all risk of draft and or raft from land to land, each raft, raft and or draft load to be deemed a separate insurance.'

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**General Memoranda.**

**SATURDAY, June 3.**—King George's Birthday (1865).  
Holiday.  
5.30 p.m.—Parade of Boy Scouts and Girl Guides on Murray Barracks Parade Ground.  
**SUNDAY, June 4.**—9 a.m.—Excursion to Macao by S.S. "Taishan".  
**MONDAY, June 5.**—Dragon Boat Festival.  
**TUESDAY, June 6.**—11 a.m.—Auction of the P. & O. Lighter "Malabo" at the Breakwater, Yau-ma-tei.  
**WEDNESDAY, June 7.**—Whit Monday.  
**THURSDAY, June 8.**—Bank Holiday.

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Dardanelles. M. MILUKOFF went on to speak of the German idea of "Berlin-to-Baghdad," and declared that the question now is not whether the Straits will become Russian or remain Turkish; the question is whether they will become Russian or remain German, and he went on to say:

"Berlin-Baghdad is too real a danger, not only for us, but for Great Britain, with India and Egypt; and for France, with her prospects in Syria. On the basis of this real danger, an agreement has become possible between Powers which for centuries were suspicious of each other."

The end of March (O.S.) and the beginning of April (N.S.) in 1915, is a date which is well worthy of remembrance by large masses of the Russian people. This is the date when a definite agreement was reached between us and our Allies. (Prolonged cheers.)

The dangers of the political and economic subjugation of Turkey, involved in the German idea of Berlin-Baghdad, are obvious to the British public, who have on their side as good cause to rejoice over the Anglo-Russian understanding as have the people of Russia. But for the great military operations undertaken by Russia in Asiatic Turkey our interests in India and Egypt would be in far greater jeopardy from the German menace than they happily are to-day, and we look forward to a speedy development of the Anglo-Russian operations from Mesopotamia to the Black Sea that will bring Turkey to her knees and put an end for ever to the German dream of domination from Berlin to Baghdad and beyond.

#### NEWS OF THE DAY.

##### LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The rainfall for the 24 hours ended at 10 a.m. to-day is given in the Observatory report as 4.32 inches. It has rained steadily ever since up to the time of going to press.

A Chinese woman, who had been brought down from the country and was living in the Wai Yuen Fong, committed suicide by hanging during her husband's absence.

The Hon. Treasurer of the Alice Memorial and Affiliated Hospitals begs to acknowledge with thanks the following donation to the funds of the Hospitals:—  
Lowe, Bingham and Matthews \$50.

The body of a watchman employed at the Taikoo Dock has been recovered from the harbour. It is believed that he was accidentally drowned on May 29th while on patrol.

A steamer passenger on board the S.S. "Hong Wan I," reports to the police that while on the voyage from Singapore some person stole from a small handbag jewellery to the value of \$4,440.

Owing to Saturday next being a holiday in honour of the King's birthday, we are informed that several Boy Scouts will be "selling flags at the commercial houses, etc. on Friday. The Boy Scouts are making in connection with the King's birthday, a special effort on behalf of the Belgian Children's Relief Fund and the Blind Soldiers' Relief Fund. On Saturday there will be displays by Boy Scouts and Girl Guides on Murray Barracks' Parade Ground at 5.30 p.m.

##### SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Mr. E. Lester Arnold has been appointed local Manager in Hongkong of the Commercial Union Assoc. Co. in place of Mr. F. Tester, who has resigned.

Sir Francis Pigott, formerly Chief Justice of Hongkong, was to lecture on the 10th. to the Royal Society of Arts on "Neutral Merchants and the Rights of War."

Sir Walter Hillier, K.C.M.G., when the last mail left England was reported to be suffering from a general breakdown, brought on by hard work at the Red Cross Office.

It is announced that Mr. W. A. Dowling has resigned his position as General Manager of the Yunnan Oil Company's business in Hongkong and adjoining territory and that Mr. J. H. Condon has assumed charge as General Manager.

#### THE KING'S UNIFORM.

##### CHARGE AT THE MAGISTRACY.

A NAVAL RESERVE LIEUTENANT PROSECUTED.

An important charge of wearing the King's uniform without authority and in such a manner as to bring the uniform into contempt was heard by Mr. G. N. Orme at the Magistracy this morning. The defendant was Allan Cameron, described as unemployed, and he pleaded guilty to being in uniform, adding that he was discharged from his Majesty's force in November at the Dardanelles, where his ship was sunk.

Mr. Orme: Do you admit you were wearing uniform in a manner to bring contempt upon it?

Defendant: That I do not agree to.

Mr. Orme: Perhaps you don't know whether you were or not?

Acting Detective-Sergeant Cockle said he apprehended defendant at 11.30 p.m. last night when he was coming out of No. 44, Lyndhurst Terrace. The defendant was wearing the uniform of his Majesty the King and had shoulder badges of Second Lieut. Commander. Witness spoke to him and told him he would have to go back to the Central Police Station. The Police had had instructions from the Naval Authorities that defendant was not a person entitled to wear the uniform. Defendant asked to be allowed to go to the Peak Hotel so that he might change his uniform. Witness informed him that this was more than he had power to allow, and took him to the station. At that time defendant was under the influence of drink.

The detective added that if there was any doubt about the point of wearing uniform without authority the Commander of H.M.S. "Tamar" said he would give evidence.

Defendant said he certainly considered he had every right to wear uniform. He was on the retired list and he had not yet received his discharge.

Mr. Orme said he was apparently under the influence of drink last night.

Defendant said that when he came out of No. 44 he was not under the influence of liquor, neither was the gentleman who was with him.

Detective Cockle said he could call evidence if it were necessary.

Defendant said he was liable to be called up at any moment.

Mr. Orme: So am I, but I don't think that affects the question.

Defendant said he had done one year's service—six months in France and six months in the Dardanelles.

Mr. Orme: The question is if you are a person entitled to wear the uniform. What are you doing now?

Defendant: I am serving in the mercantile marine.

Mr. Orme: That is another branch of His Majesty's service.

Defendant went on to say he had been in the Naval Reserve since 1897, nearly twenty years, and he had always been allowed to wear the uniform at any time. He was in uniform at home and it was not questioned.

Detective Cockle told his Worship that defendant had been out of employment for some time.

Defendant: I don't think that has anything to do with the matter. He added he was chief officer on board a ship and at present he was engaged in the sale of ships.

Mr. Orme: It is quite clear you are not a person serving in His Majesty's Forces; if you are not you must be very careful.

Defendant: It is quite a mistake on my part. I have always been under the apprehension that I had a right to wear the uniform. I have worn it for nearly twenty years and this is the first time I have been checked.

Mr. Orme: Do you think you were wearing it in a fit and proper place last night?

Defendant: I don't say it was quite the right thing to do, but I have been there before with other naval officers.

Mr. Orme: And you think you are still entitled to wear the uniform?

Defendant replied he had not got his discharge.

Detective Cockle asked for an adjournment to allow of the attendance of the Commander of H.M.S. "Tamar."

The hearing was fixed for to-morrow at noon, bail being allowed in the sum of \$100.

Defendant asked if he could have a change, and Mr. Orme said he thought defendant should be allowed to get into his ordinary clothes.

#### THE LATE MR. E. A. HEWETT'S ESTATE.

The following extract is from a London paper:

Mr. E. A. Hewett, C.M.G., of the Wellington Club, Grosvenor-place, S.W., a member of the Executive and Legislative Councils in Hongkong, and manager of the Peninsula and Oriental Steam Navigation Company in Hongkong, left estate of gross value of £32,160. He left £200,000 to the rector and churchwardens of Albury, Surrey, and the rector and churchwardens of Netherfield, Gloucester.

#### COMPANY MEETING.

##### THE STAR FERRY CO., LTD.

The 18th ordinary annual meeting of the "Star" Ferry Co., Ltd. was held at the offices of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson and Co., Ltd. this morning. The Hon. Sir C. Paul Chater, C.M.G., presided and the other director present was the Hon. Mr. E. Shilling. Others present were—Mr. P. R. Wolff, (acting secretary) Messrs (T. C. Moxon, A. A. Fife, A. E. Crappell, R. L. Atkinson, J. Hyde, T. W. Robertson, J. Hooper.

The CHAIRMAN said:—The net earnings of our boats for the year under review, \$88,942.58, while comparing favourably with the figures for the previous year are not quite so good as for the year 1913/4, that is to say for times before the war. During the earlier months of the year traffic in all classes showed a serious falling off to counteract the effect of which it became necessary to revise the scale of some of our fares, and consequently the scale for punch-tickets and 3rd class fares was raised, a step which has had satisfactory results, although the income over 1914/15 is not entirely due thereto but is largely assisted by the increase in Railway fares received from the Government since February 1915. You will no doubt recollect that at our last Annual Meeting reference was made to correspondence passing between ourselves and the Government on the subject of Railway passengers.

I am pleased to say this matter has now been settled and we are receiving a more adequate return for such passengers. No doubt when the linking up of the Kowloon-Canton Railway with lines from the north becomes an accomplished fact, we may confidently look for a considerable increase in railway passenger traffic and its consequent increase in our revenue. The disturbances in Canton have not as might have been expected, materially affected our revenue. At the commencement there was a momentary influx of passengers by rail, but this was not maintained for any length of time and traffic has now resumed its normal proportion. In accordance with suggestions from the Government, structural alterations are now being carried out on our wharf on this side of the Harbour which when completed will afford better accommodation to the Railway Company for their Booking Offices, and at Kowloon the shelter is being extended to the Colomade of the New Station.

To meet the convenience of the travelling public, we are altering the lights on our Ferry boats and have arranged with a local firm to instal "Aga" lights on all our boats. The "Northern Star" has been fitted with these lights for the past six months and they have proved satisfactory. The necessary lights for the other boats are due here very shortly.

Our loss on subsidiary boats is \$7,190.41 as against \$9,492.46 last year. Discount thereon has since considerably decreased and it is to be hoped may ere long stand at par.

Expenses generally for stores and repairs have increased but the rise in coal has not greatly affected us as we have a favourable contract still running.

Prospects for the future may, I think, be considered good, first class passenger receipts are improving, more steamers are utilising the Kowloon wharves, and when the new large wharf is completed, it is probable that the ferry will become more generally used by 1st class passengers arriving. Revenue from tourists cannot, I fear, be looked for in any appreciable degree so long as this war lasts; we can only trust that before our next Annual Meeting it may have been brought to a triumphant termination by Great Britain and her noble allies.

I now beg to propose that the Report and Accounts as presented be adopted, and passed, and after this has been duly seconded, I shall be pleased to reply to any questions shareholders may wish to put.

There being no questions Mr. A. E. CRAPPALL seconded the motion and it was carried unanimously.

Mr. ROBERTSON proposed that the retiring director, the Hon. Sir Paul Chater, be re-elected.

Mr. HOOPER seconded the motion, and it was carried.

Mr. ATKINSON proposed and Mr. HYDE seconded the re-appointment of Mr. F. Mathland as auditor at a remuneration of \$300.

The resolution was carried.

The CHAIRMAN announced that dividend warrants could be had on application.

#### WOMEN'S WAR WORK IN HONGKONG.

The Union Church Ladies' Working Party this week dispatched four large parcels of skirts, socks, caps and other comforts to the Rev. W. W. Beveridge for distribution amongst the Argyle and Sutherland Highlanders at the front.

The following is part of a letter received from Miss Miller:—

Highland Casualty Clearing Station, France.

The Union Church's interesting and most useful parcels have safely arrived at last. Please thank all concerned for their share in the good work. The socks are such a great comfort. The officers were more than glad to get them, and the helmets and caps are so useful for lying down cases. The rest of the things have gone to the camp and are much appreciated by the men. The quilt was greatly needed and is in daily use. The weather has been and is still very severe, so winter comforts are in great demand. It is most kind of the people abroad to help us and we are sure it would please them if they knew what comfort they gave the men. I have asked some of the boys to write and they have promised to do so, but I am sorry to say they have not yet done so.

Mr. McKenna, in a Parliamentary answer, says that the gross income brought under the review for income tax of the Commissioners of Inland Revenue for the years mentioned was as follows:—1904-05, £212,150,680; 1912-13, £311,448,413; 1913-14, £21,107,184,239; 1914-15 (estimated), £21,240,000,000; 1915-16 (estimated), £21,380,000,000.

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#### COURT INTERPRETER RETIRES.

##### HANDSOME GIFTS IN APPRECIATION OF GOOD WORK.

Mr. Wong Kwong Tin, Second Interpreter at the Supreme Court, who is leaving the service to act as secretary to a newly formed Chinese Company, was yesterday presented with several handsome gifts by his colleagues as a mark of respect and esteem. The gifts consisted of a silver tea service, silver tea tray, silver sweet basket, pair of silver sweet dishes, and an illuminated address, with the names of subscribers on a handsome silk scroll beautifully painted and embroidered and there were also gold pendants for Mrs. and Miss Wong.

Mr. N. G. Nolan, the Chief Interpreter, made the presentation on behalf of the numerous subscribers, and in doing so spoke of the high esteem in which Mr. Wong was held by his many friends. Mr. Nolan said that during 26 years' experience in the service he had never seen a more industrious and painstaking worker. His rapid promotion to the post of Second Interpreter to the Courts of Justice—one of the highest positions open to Chinese in the service—and his subsequent appointment for 18 months as Chief Interpreter, went to show how the Government appreciated and rewarded him for his honesty and integrity. During his 18 years' service he had not only mastered all the various Cantonese dialects, but had also passed and obtained certificates in Hoklo and Hakka, and had taken up Fokien, Mandarin, and Chuchow. "Your feelings of loyalty as a British subject and your to form a Chinese Volunteer Corps, to assist in the protection of this Colony against our enemy at the outbreak of war," said Mr. Nolan. "Your suggestion was submitted by you, with the signatures of other loyal Chinese, to the Government, who, in reply, suggested the formation of a Chinese Police Reserve instead. With the assistance of a number of other gentlemen you were successful in forming the excellent Chinese sections of the Special Police Reserve, which the popular and energetic D.S.P. (Mr. F. C. Jenkin) has brought to such a high standard of efficiency. Besides being the promoter of the Chinese Police Reserve you have also approached certain Chinese gentlemen in Hongkong, who supplied complete outfits of uniform to the different sections when they were first organised. Your rapid promotion likewise in the Police Reserve from constable to the various ranks of Inspector shows your ambition and determination to advance in life."

Mr. Nolan hoped that the ever-growing inclination of those outside the service to capture all the good men would somewhat abate after Mr. Wong's departure, as the service can ill afford to lose such excellent men as Mr. Wong Kwong Tin (the former Translator) and Mr. Wong Kin Wo (clerk and interpreter to the Registrar). In asking him to accept the gifts, he wished Mr. Wong and his family every success and prosperity in the future (Applause).

Mr. Wong said he was at a loss to find words to thank them for the excellent gifts. He had always tried to give satisfaction to everybody in the discharge of his duties and he felt proud that his efforts had been so well appreciated. He was sorry to leave the service after 18 years. He would cherish the gifts for the rest of his life in remembrance of his excellent friends.

#### THE NEXT GYMKHANA.

##### PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME.

The next Gymkhana, the third of the Season, has been fixed to take place on Saturday, July 8th. The provisional programme is as follows:—

- 1.—Three-quarter Mile Handicap for ponies that have run and not won.
- 2.—Gymkhana Stakes. One mile.
- 3.—Polo Club Event.
- 4.—Once Round Handicap for all ponies.
- 5.—Half Mile Distance Handicap.
- 6.—Ladies' Nomination. Musical Chairs.
- 7.—One-and-a-quarter Mile Handicap.

#### H.K.P.R. "SPORTS NIGHT."

The following challenges are issued for H.K.P.R. "Sports Night" at the Victoria Theatre on Whit Monday and still await acceptance:—

- 1.—P.C. Chanman Din, H.K. Police, offers to wrestle anyone in the Colony at any weight. Catch-as-catch-can style.
- 2.—Young Ward, R.N.Y.P. will fight any amateur in the Colony at 135 lbs. Giver takes 15.
- 3.—P.C. 50 Maher, H.K. Police (Reserve) will fight any amateur at 135 lbs give or take 2 lbs.
- 4.—P.C. Cave, H.K. Police, challenges anyone in the Colony at Bayonet Fighting. Long Rifle. Best 3 out of five points.
- 5.—"Kid Marriott," R.N.Y.P. wishes to meet anyone in the Colony at 135 lbs.
- 6.—Sapper Richards, R.E., Light-weight champion of the Colony, will be pleased to arrange a match with any Light-weight in the Colony. Challenges acceptance should be sent to Staff Inspector Wildin, Imports and Exports office (Telephone 50).

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#### MAGNATRICY.

##### KIDNAPPING CHARGE.

REMARKABLE STORY BY IMPRISONED SCHOOL BOY.

"Ip Fan, a woman aged 20 years a school teacher, of unusually smart appearance, appeared in the dock before Mr. J. R. Wood this afternoon on a charge of kidnapping three boys aged 14, 12 and 11 years respectively."

The story as told by the prosecution was that the children went to the defendant's school in Shelley Street and one day in March outside the school while in the custody of the teacher, the boys met a man who promised to take them to see "the races" at Taumati. The man said it was late that day and promised to take them the next day. On the day following the defendant took the children down to the Marco boat "Sui Tai" and they went aboard, the woman again informing them they were going "to the races." They went to Marco and after going to the cinema there they were put on board a night-sail boat and eventually landed at Sam Ching in Chinese territory. They were handed over to a farmer and chained together in a cave. Subsequently the steersman of the night-sail boat made a report of what he had seen and the boys were afterwards taken away. The father of the boys had received several letters in Chinese from a Society, and \$30,000 in European notes, 50 taels of opium and 50 lengths of "spotted plum" gauze, were set off against the death of the boys.

While the boys were in the cave the eldest was given several letters to copy, one of which was as follows:—

Dear Father and Mother

Several days ago on our way home from school we met a cruel person, who by means of snatching and kidnapping us and took us to Chinese territory. We did not know this until the next morning. We three brothers are now imprisoned here and are intolerably miserable every day. We cannot sleep quietly at night and we constantly think of your anxiety for us. For the present we can only write this letter to you saying that we are all well and that we may be relieved from this misery and may see you again. When this letter reaches you, please on no account delay, as any delay will make us unable to meet you again. We beg you to think of your own flesh and blood and on no account to make imprudent offers of reward you to appear to the Government. Should anything serious unforeseen happen we shall undoubtedly be put to death, and all traces removed. The kidnappers have informed us that they will wait for you five days but after that they will certainly bury us in the ground. This short letter does not contain all we have to say but end here with regard. Your sons.

His Worship intimated that he would send the case for trial.

#### CHINA'S NEED.

##### INTERESTING SPEECH AT WEDDING RECEPTION.

Mr. Lee Fong Ahlo, M. A. Cantab., in proposing the health of the bride and bridegroom at the reception at Mr. Wei Yuk's residence, after the wedding of Mr. Wei Wing Lok and Miss Ng Quinn, yesterday, touched on the need of China for engineers.

"In a fortnight from now the bride and bridegroom will leave for America where the latter will continue his studies in order to gain practical experience in his line," said Mr. Lee. "We all wish him most heartily every success in his studies. For China is in dire need of every student who goes abroad; the right sort of man educated either at home or abroad. As does not the voice of the Fatherland ring out like a trumpet call in the clear, mid-night, to the doctor to alleviate the untold sufferings that are being witnessed in every Chinese city; the mining engineer to tap and develop the unlimited virgin wealth of the land; the civil engineer to link the provinces in closer union and open up the arteries of trade stretching from the coast to the snow-capped mountains in Tibet; the mechanical engineer to harness and utilise the powers of nature, which now go wasted in primeval forest or thundering down in cataracts and gorges; the lawyers to formulate laws both just and equitable, and above all the preacher to awaken the soul of the nation, slumbering under the pall of superstition and lying helplessness in the grip of bribery and corruption? Surely the opportunities for the returned student are manifold. It is true that hundreds of returned students are filling their time in Peking and treaty ports, because a paternal Government does not see fit to employ them. But the time will come, sooner than we expect, when the returned student, in spite of apparently insurmountable obstacles, will become the principal factor which shall elevate his country to the front rank of nations, that place of dignity and honour which is meant to be hers by Divine rights. Such is my confidence in the returned student and in the ultimate destiny of our country. Therefore I ask the bridegroom to let the Fatherland be ever his motto and in his thoughts, to stimulate every noble impulse in his search for knowledge and experience and truth, and to remember that every success which he achieves abroad, whether in the field of study or sport, will give joy to his people and friends at home."



## THE WAR.

## TO-DAY'S TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

## VERDUN.

## GERMANS CONCENTRATING FOR ANOTHER SUPREME EFFORT.

LONDON, May 31.

The Rotterdam correspondent of the *Daily Telegraph* says the Germans are concentrating forces for another supreme effort at Verdun on a scale unparalleled since the beginning of the battle. The Russian front is being deemed to the last possible man, and it is reported that the latest reinforcements include thousands of Austrians.

The following note on the sectors where fighting is fiercest indicates the value attaching to the positions. Hill 204 is about 2,500 yards west of Mort Homme, a "Dead Man" hill which is regarded as the main position north of Charny Ridge. The capture of Charny Ridge would practically ensure the enemy's capture of Verdun. Hill 204 is a flat-topped hill, the capture of which would go a long way to render Mort Homme untenable and behind these positions there is no really good defensive ground until the main position on Charny Ridge is reached, four miles farther south. Hill 204 is very steep upon every side except the west, jutting out like a sort of peninsula boldly from the plateau. The Germans have thus given most of their attention to the easier contours of the western side. But the enemy's efforts have by no means been confined to that side of the position and they have also attacked repeatedly between the hill and the "Dead Man" hill position.

## THE CONQUEST OF THE CAMEROONS.

LONDON, May 31.

The conquest of the Cameroons, 500,000 square miles in extent, defended by well-trained natives plentifully supplied with machine-guns, was no light task.

This sums up Major-General Doherty's dispatches on the subject which are issued to-day.

The difficulties were increased by incessant tropical rains, the absence of roads, and dense forests.

The co-operation between the British and French was perfect, and General Doherty endorses the work of the Naval men and the West Africans.

The Allied Force was 9,700 British and French, including Indians.

## THE IRISH COMMISSION.

LETTER FROM FIELD-MARSHAL VISCOUNT FRENCH.

LONDON, May 31.

At the sitting of the Irish Commission to-day a letter was read from Field-Marshal Viscount French stating that early in February Mr. Birrell was of the opinion that a popular outbreak was not to be feared, but he rather feared that there would be dynamite outrages. The Commission adjourned indefinitely.

## IRISH NEGOTIATIONS.

LONDON, May 31.

The *Glasgow Herald* says a settlement has been reached on the basis of a Parliament for Nationalist Ireland with Ulster, or the greater part of it, excluded.

## MR. ROOSEVELT AND THE "HYPHENATEDS."

## OPEN KNIFE THROWN AT THE EX-PRESIDENT.

New York, May 31.

In the Memorial Day parade in Kansas City an open knife was thrown at Mr. Theodore Roosevelt. It struck the motor-car.

Mr. Roosevelt afterwards delivered a speech advocating universal military service and denouncing the "hyphenateds."

## CHAMBERLAIN'S PAIN BALM.

A TOUCH of rheumatism or a twinge of neuralgia, whatever the trouble is, Chamberlain's Pain Balm drives away the pain at once and cures the complaint quickly. First application gives relief. When a bottle of it is kept in the house the pain of burns and scalds may be promptly relieved, cuts and bruises quickly healed and swellings promptly reduced. In fact, for the household use it is just what "everybody" as every family should be provided with. For sale by all Chemists and Storekeepers.

## THE MESOPOTAMIA DOSSIER.

## SEVERE CRITICISM BY "THE TIMES."

LONDON, May 31.

The *Times* severely criticises the Government's Mesopotamia dossier, particularly for its omissions.

It trusts that General Sir John Nixon will explain why he never transmitted General Townshend's views, and why he decided to disregard them.

The *Times*, also, says, a serious responsibility attaches to General Sir Beauchamp Durr, the Commander-in-Chief in India, who though he might not have been acquainted with General Townshend's objections, knew the precise strength of his forces, and ought to have been aware of the risks involved.

It demands the truth regarding the repulse of Major-General Aylmer at Esimeh on March 8th, when, the *Times* declares, Kut could easily have been relieved but for unpardonable mistakes.

## EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

## THE VERDUN STRUGGLE.

## TERRIBLE NEW GERMAN ASSAULT.

PARIS, May 30.

A terrific new German assault at Verdun marked the 101st day of the battle.

Today's *communiqués* say:—The bombardment continued in violence west of the Meuse, and was especially severe at dusk between Douaumont and Camiers. Then the enemy delivered a very strong attack on all the positions in this sector, a fresh Division, newly-arrived, being engaged. All the assaults against the eastern slopes of Douaumont, where our positions were established, were defeated by our fire.

Further eastward, in the region of Carrières Wood, after fruitless attempts by the Germans, who suffered heavy losses, we were obliged to withdraw our advanced elements to south of the Bathemourt-Camiers Road. The enemy, however, despite repeated efforts, were unable to dislodge us from the southern outskirts of Camiers.

The bombardment continued intensely at night time.

The only incident east of the Meuse was heavy artillery fighting westward of Fort de Douaumont.

NO FURTHER INFANTRY ACTION.

PARIS, May 31.

The evening *communiqué* says:—There was a most violent bombardment in the Mort Homme—Camiers region, and moderate artillery activity on the right of the Meuse and in Woeyre. There was nothing elsewhere.

## A QUIETER DAY ON BRITISH FRONT.

LONDON, May 31.

General Sir Douglas Haig, in a *communiqué*, says:—Enemy air-craft yesterday were more active than usual. One of our machines was shot down in a combat in the air, and fell in our lines. The hostile machine was forced down out of control into the enemy's lines.

We exploded a mine in the night south-east of Cuinchy. Two German mines, exploded at Souchez and Neuville, failed to appreciably damage our trenches.

Today was quieter than usual. There was no infantry action, and little artillery activity.

## RENEWAL OF AUSTRIAN EFFORTS.

## ITALIANS MAINTAIN UPPER HAND.

LONDON, May 30.

A *communiqué* says:—The situation is generally unchanged along the whole front, except in the Posina zone, in Upper Astico, where we had yesterday a foretaste of a renewal of the enemy offensive. Southward of Posina the enemy, after intense artillery preparation, attacked in the direction of Soglioli Campiglio and Monte Priafra. After a desperate struggle we retained our positions.

On the northern slope of Monte San Michele we exploded a powerful mine, wrecking a long stretch of the enemy's trenches.

## SOMETHING DEPENDABLE.

DIARRHOEA is always more or less prevalent during this weather. Be prepared for it. Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy is prompt and effective. It can always be depended upon. For sale by all Chemists and Storekeepers.

## GREEKS AROUSED BY BULGAR INVASION.

## REPORTED SERIOUS TROUBLE IN ATHENS.

LONDON, May 30.

The censorship is very strict at Athens, where serious disturbances are said to have occurred. The little news that is allowed to pass indicates the strength of feeling aroused by the Bulgarian invasion. Macedonian deputies are urging that Parliament should meet this week to discuss the matter.

## BRISKER FIGHTING ON RUSSIAN FRONT.

PETROGRAD, May 31.

A *communiqué* says that minor fighting has been on a rather brisk scale along the greater part of the front.

There is no change in the Caucasus.

## EAST AFRICAN CAMPAIGN.

## BRITISH OCCUPY NEU LANGENBERG.

LONDON, May 30.

It is officially announced that Brigadier-General Northey compelled the enemy to evacuate Neu Langenberg, and afterwards occupied the place, capturing large quantities of ammunition, food, and stores of all kinds.

The enemy garrison at Namena, 23 miles north-east of Abercorn, is invested.

## KAISER RETURNS TO THE FRONT.

AMSTERDAM, May 30.

The Kaiser has returned to the front.

## COTTON WORKERS' DISPUTE.

LONDON, May 30.

The Lancashire Cotton Workers' and Weavers have now also refused the employers' offer.

## THE FOOD SITUATION IN GERMANY.

## A LONG CONFERENCE.

AMSTERDAM, May 30.

The Imperial Chancellor (Dr. Bethmann-Hollweg) had a long conference with the King of Bavaria at Munich.

## THE IRISH NEGOTIATIONS.

## PROGRESSING WITH UNEXPECTED SPEED.

LONDON, May 31.

It is understood that the Irish negotiations are progressing with unexpected speed. There were conferences between the Nationalist and Ulster leaders yesterday, and the feeling in the evening was most hopeful.

Mr. Lloyd George will probably make a statement in the nature of an interim Report to-morrow.

The *Times* says that hope, almost amounting to confidence, has risen to a surprising degree during the past few hours. Both sides are manifesting a hearty good will and a sincere desire for a settlement.

A group of federal Home Rulers, including Scottish and Welsh Members of the House of Commons, in anticipation of a settlement, conferred in the House of Commons yesterday.

## MARTIAL LAW A PRECAUTIONARY MEASURE.

LONDON, May 31.

In the House of Commons, Mr. Asquith said that martial law was being continued in Ireland as a precautionary measure. He hoped its disappearance would be speedy and complete. It would only be used in cases of urgent necessity.

## ANOTHER LIFE SENTENCE.

LONDON, May 31.

John McNeill, President of the Irish volunteers, has been sentenced to imprisonment for life.

## MR. RUNCIMAN ILL.

LONDON, May 31.

The President of the Board of Trade (Mr. W. Runciman) has been ordered a complete rest, owing to overwork. It is feared that he will be absent from his duties for six weeks, and will be unable to attend the Economic Conference at Paris, which is fixed for the 14th June.

Mr. L. Harcourt is temporarily in charge of the Board of Trade.

## THE KING AT SOUTHAMPTON.

LONDON, May 30.

His Majesty the King visited Southampton Docks and inspected the arrangements made for the embarkation and entraining of troops.

His Majesty boarded the hospital ship *Astoria* and chatted with the wounded.

## ITALIAN SUBMARINE'S MAGNIFICENT FEAT.

## ENTERS TRINITY AND SINKS LARGE TRANSPORT.

ROME, May 30.

An Italian submarine has performed the magnificent feat of entering Trinity and sinking a large transport.

## BRITISH POST-WAR TRADE POLICY.

## INDIA AND PREFERENTIAL TRADING.

LONDON, May 30.

In the House of Commons Mr. Norton-Griffiths asked whether the Imperial Government intended to take any action before the termination of the war with a view to the adoption of a preferential trading policy with India in favour of the United Kingdom, the Dominions, and our Allies.

Mr. Asquith—All aspects of our trade policy after the war are being investigated by the Government and will be discussed at the Economic Conference. I cannot anticipate the results of these discussions and investigations by making a statement on one aspect of it.

Colonel Yate—Will India be represented at the Conference?

Mr. Asquith—No.

## TRANSFER OF SERBIAN ARMY COMPLETED.

PARIS, May 31.

The French Admiralty announces that the transfer of the Serbian Army from Corin to Salonika has now been completed.

## THE MEDICAL ARRANGEMENTS IN MESOPOTAMIA.

LONDON, May 30.

In the House of Commons Mr. A. Chamberlain said he was unable to give a date for the submission of the Report of the Commission of Enquiry into the break down of the medical arrangements in Mesopotamia. He was entirely opposed to the suggestion of an interim Report.

## BRITISH STEAMERS TORPEDOED.

LONDON, May 30.

The British steamer *Trunkly* was torpedoed in the Mediterranean. The crew were landed at Algiers.

The British steamer *Southgate* has also been sunk. Twenty-two were saved.

## SECRET AMERICAN DEAL.

## REPORTED LOAN OF \$20,000,000 (GOLD).

The *Peking Gazette* of the 24th inst. gives the following:—

The report published in the *Gazette* yesterday regarding certain loan negotiations now in train between the Communications clique and a band of financials from America has attracted considerable attention in Chinese and foreign circles. Inquiries have elicited the information that the night's sessions referred to in our report have been transferred to a house in Tsingpu hutung. Two American syndicates are said to be interested in the negotiations—one a New York group represented by a person, with a name reminiscent of a notorious figure in Irish history thirty years ago, and the other a San Francisco group represented by an American whose name occurs in a familiar quotation from Shakespeare.

The amount is said to be \$20,000,000 (gold) or some such figure, and the present subject of nightly discussion is understood to be the interest and commissions demanded by the Americans, which are described by a Chinese official—with some experience of loan negotiations in the good old days—as "extraordinary."

We have to observe that if this report proves to be an accurate statement of facts, grave anti-American developments in Shanghai and elsewhere in the South are inevitable, the responsibility for which will lie on those who have either taken an active part in a dangerous transaction or failed to inform Washington of the dangers of a policy which, in a negative form, has heaped on Mexico five years of disorder, strife and misery.

A monument to Admiral Count von Spee, commander of the German cruiser squadron sunk by Admiral Sturdee at the Falkland Islands, was unveiled at Kiel on April 15. The Kaiser telegraphed to Countess von Spee that "the gallant husband and heroic sons whom you have lost belong to history."

I understand, writes "A Man of Kent" in the *British Weekly*, that the successor to Sir Henry Lucy, as "Toby M.P." of "Punch," is Mr. Algernon Locker, the able London correspondent of the *Irish Times*. Mr. Locker, who has had much experience as a journalist, is the son of Mr. Arthur Locker, the first editor of the *Graphic*.

## CLOSING SHARE QUOTATIONS.

2.40 p.m.

Banks ..... \$755. b.

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## CHINESE AFFAIRS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

## THE SITUATION IN CHINA.

SHANGHAI, May 31.

With the declaration of independence by the Province of Hunan there are now eight provinces in revolt, while Shantung is practically in rebel hands.

Foreigners are generally of opinion that the forced abdication of Yuan Shih Kai is the only solution of the deadlock.

## THE REPORTED POISONING OF THE PRESIDENT.

PEKING, May 31.

The report of the poisoning of Yuan Shih Kai is absolutely untrue.

(Wah Tse Yai Po's Service.)

## THE SUPPRESSION OF THE REBELLION.

PEKING, May 31.

The Government has informed the Legations that the rebellion will be suppressed in a few months more, instead of in six months as previously stated.

## THE PRESIDENT.

PEKING, May 31.

A Japanese paper states that the report that Yuan Shih Kai is seriously ill is quite true.

## RUMOUR CHANGED IN THE GOVERNMENT.

PEKING, May 31.

There is a persistent rumour that General Fung-Kek Chang, of Nan-king, has been summoned to Peking to succeed Tuan Chi-jui (the Premier). Should he disobey the order, the Government will use force.

## THE PROVINCE OF SHANTUNG.

PEKING, May 31.

Tuan Chi Kwei has left Peking with a bodyguard for Tsinan. Kan Wan Pung, the Governor of Shantung, is resigning.

## BOMBS AT KIRIN.

PEKING, May 31.

While Chang Cho-lam, the General commanding at Kirin, was on his way from the railway station to his yamen, two bombs were thrown at him. He was not hurt, however. His assailant escaped.

## To-day's Advertisements

## COMMERCIAL UNION ASSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

MR. EDWIN LESTER GILBERT ARNOLD has been appointed from the 1st June, 1916 Local Manager in Hongkong of the above Company in place of Mr. PERCY TESTER, resigned.

W. H. TRENCHARD DAVIS, Manager for China, Shanghai.

Hongkong, June 1, 1916. 711

## VACUUM OIL COMPANY.

I HAVE This Day handed over the Hongkong Office to Mr. J. H. CONGDON, J.L., who will assume charge as General Manager of the Company. Having this day resigned my position as General Manager of the Company's business in Hongkong and adjoining territories.

W. A. DOWLEY.

Hongkong, June 1, 1916. 712

## VACUUM OIL COMPANY.

MR. W. A. DOWLEY having resigned his position as General Manager of this Company's business in Hongkong and adjoining territories no longer holds the Company's Power of Attorney. I have to-day assumed charge of this Company's business in Hongkong and in adjoining territories.

J. H. CONGDON, General Manager.

Hongkong, June 1, 1916. 713

## FIRE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION OF HONGKONG.

## KING'S BIRTHDAY HOLIDAY.

NOTICE is hereby given that all FIRE INSURANCE OFFICES will be CLOSED for the Transaction of PUBLIC BUSINESS on SATURDAY, the 3rd June, 1916.

By Order, A. R. LOWE, Secretary.

Hongkong, June 1, 1916. 708

## MARINE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION OF HONGKONG.

## KING'S BIRTHDAY HOLIDAY.

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Hongkong, June 1, 1916. 709

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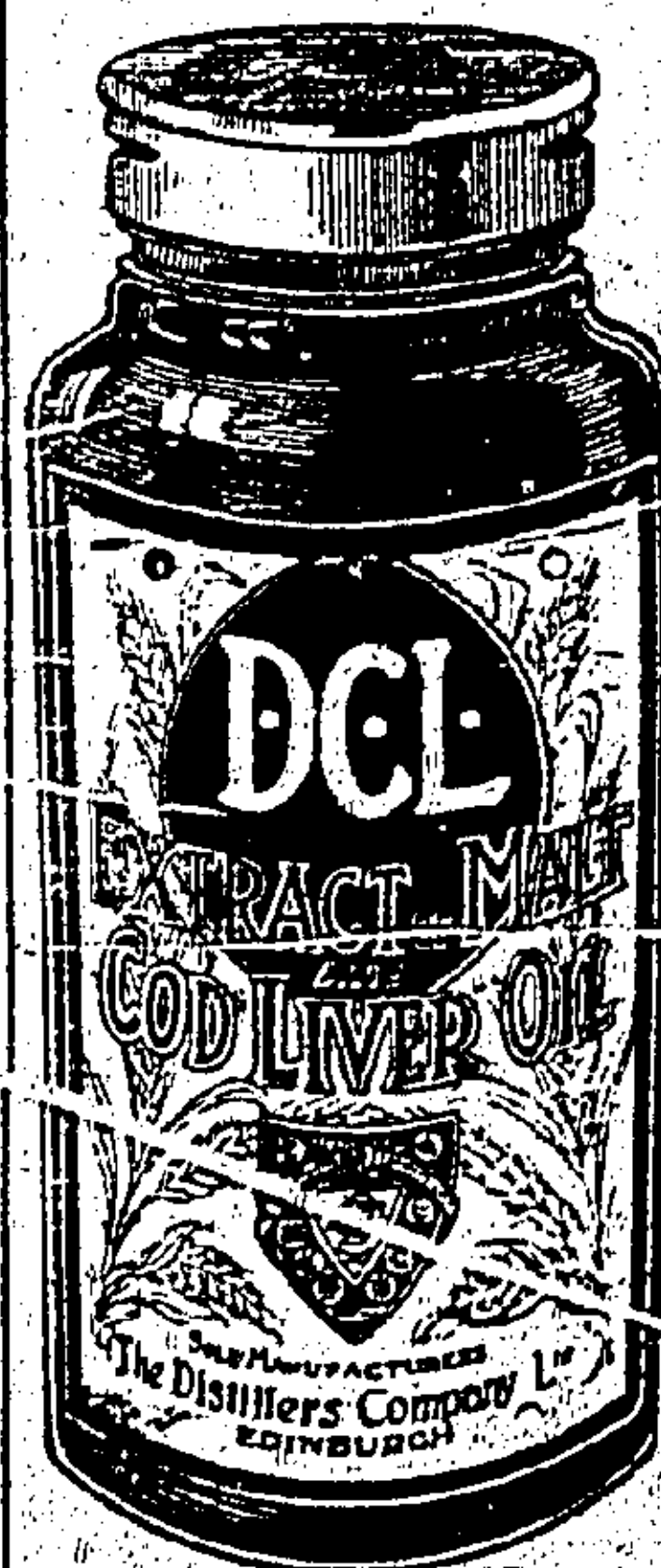
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<b>BANKS.</b>			
Hongkong & Shanghai \$125	\$750 b.	Div. 2 1/2 and bonus 5/8 s/c 1915 .....	6 1/2 p.c.
<b>MARINE INSURANCES.</b>			
Canton .....	\$ 50 \$400	\$7 final a/c 1914. \$18 Interim a/c 1915 .....	6 p.c.
North China .....	25 T. 175	Int. 12 1/2 % a/c 1915 .....	
Unions .....	\$100 \$910	Final of \$90 and bonus \$10 a/c 1914. Interim of \$20 a/c 1915 .....	6 1/2 p.c.
Yangtze .....	\$ 60 \$350	Final of \$15 making \$18 for 1914 and int. of \$6 on account 1915 ..	7 1/2 p.c.
<b>FIRE INSURANCES.</b>			
China Fire .....	\$ 20 \$150	\$7 and bonus \$2 for 1914 .....	5 1/2 p.c.
Hongkong Fire .....	50 \$370	\$37 for 1914 .....	6 1/2 p.c.
<b>SHIPPING.</b>			
Douglas Steamships \$50	\$129 b.	\$5 Int for 1915/1916 ..	p.c.
Steamboats .....	\$ 15 \$22 sa.	\$1 for 1915 .....	p.a.
Indo-China .....			
(Preferred) .....	\$45	6/- for 1915 .....	
(Deferred) .....	\$117 1/2 sa.	10/- Bonus .....	
		6/- for 1915 .....	
"Shell" Transports 21	98/- sa.	2/- a/c 1915 Coupon 25	
"Star Ferry" .....	\$ 10 \$33	\$1.50 dividend 40 cents Bonus for year ending 30/4/15 .....	5 1/2 p.c.
<b>REFINERIES.</b>			
China Sugar .....	\$109 \$107 1/2 a.	\$19 for 1915 .....	
Luzon Sugar .....	\$100 \$30	\$5 for 1915 .....	
<b>MINING.</b>			
Kailans .....	21 \$7/-	1/- a/c 1915/16, Coupons Nos. 7	
Langkai .....	gdrs. 10 T. 26 1/2 sa.	Tls. 1 for 1915	
Rauba .....	21 \$2.90 sa.		
Trench Mines .....	21 39/-	2/- a/c 1915 .....	
Ural Caspian .....	21 33/-	1/- interim 1915 .....	
<b>DOCKS, WHARVES AND GODOWNS.</b>			
Kowloon Wharves \$ 50	\$79 1/2 b.	\$3 1/2 for 1915 .....	4 1/2 p.c.
H.K. & Whampoa Docks .....	\$ 50 \$116 b.	\$5 a/c 1915 .....	4 1/2 p.c.
Shanghai Docks T. 100	T. 73 b.	Tls. 3 for year ending 30/4/15 .....	
Hongkong Wharfs T. 100	T. 90	Tls. 3 for 1915 .....	5 1/2 p.c.
<b>HOTELS, LANDS AND BUILDINGS.</b>			
Hongkong Hotels .....	\$ 50 112	\$5 a/c 1915 .....	
Central Estates .....	\$100 \$98 sa.	\$7 a/c 1915 .....	8 p.c.
Hongkong Hotels .....	\$100 \$106 b.	\$7 a/c 1915 .....	
Humphreys Estates \$ 10	\$7	35 cents for 1915 .....	6 p.c.
Kowloon Lands .....	\$ 30 \$33	\$2 1/2 for 1915 .....	12 p.c.
West Point .....	\$ 50 \$88 sa.	\$4 1/2 a/c 1915 .....	7 1/2 p.c.
Shanghai Lands T. 50	f. 95	13% for 1915 and 1 tal bonus	
<b>COTTON MILLS.</b>			
Ewee .....	T. 50 T. 130	Tls. 18 for year ending 31/10/15 .....	11 p.c.
Shanghai Cottons T. 50	T. 82 1/2 b.	Tls. 6 div. & Tls. 1 1/2 bonus for year ending 30/6/15 .....	7 1/2 p.c.
Kung Yik .....	T. 15 T. 12	Tls. 1 1/2 for 1915 .....	13 p.c.
Yangtzeppoo T. 5	T. 5		
<b>MISCELLANEOUS.</b>			
China-Borneo .....	\$ 12 \$32	72 cts. for 1915 .....	8 1/2 p.c.
Light & Powers .....	\$ 25 \$4.40 b.	6 p.c. for year ending 23/2/06 .....	9 p.c.
China-Provident .....	\$ 10 \$3 sa.	70 cents for 1915 .....	7 p.c.
Dairy Farms .....	\$ 9 \$34 1/2	\$1.25 for year ending 31/7/15 .....	4 1/2 p.c.
Green Islands .....	\$ 10 \$9.20 b.	60 cents for 1915 .....	6 p.c.
Hongkong Electric \$ 10	\$44 1/2 b.	\$2 for 1914/1915 .....	5 p.c.
Hongkong Ice .....	\$ 20 \$170	\$11 a/c 1915 .....	
Hongkong Ropes .....	\$ 10 \$29 1/2 b.	\$3 a/c 1915 .....	8 p.c.
Hongkong Tramways 5/-	\$6.80	30 cents a/c 1915 .....	5 p.c.
Morning Posts .....	\$ 25 \$29	\$2 for 1915 .....	8 p.c.
Peak Tramways .....	\$ 10 \$9 1/2 b.	7% a/c for 1914/1915 ..	7 p.c.
do. (new) \$ 1	70 cts.		
Steam Laundry .....	\$ 5 \$31	27 cents for 1914/1915 ..	7 p.c.
Union Waterboats \$ 10	\$14 b.	\$1 for 1915 .....	5 1/2 p.c.
Wataon .....	\$ 10 \$7.50	70 cents for 1915 .....	10 p.c.
William Powell .....	\$ 7 \$3 b.	50 cents for 1915/1916 ..	7 1/2 p.c.

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